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November 21, 1977

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Yours sincerely,

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CIA GUEST SPEAKER PROGRAM

THE RIGHT REVEREND JOHN THOMAS WALKER

1. The Right Reverend John Thomas Walker, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, D.C., will be the CIA Guest Speaker on Tuesday, 10 January 1978, at 3:00 p.m. in the Headquarters Auditorium. Bishop Walker, who has been active in the international affairs of the church, will speak on "Morality in Foreign Affairs." The Director of Central Intelligence will introduce the speaker.

2. Suffragan Bishop of Washington from 1971-1976, Bishop Walker was elected Bishop Coadjutor of Washington on 12 June 1976 and succeeded the Right Reverend William F. Creighton as Bishop of Washington following the latter's retirement on 1 July 1977. He was installed as the sixth Bishop of Washington in Washington Cathedral on 24 September 1977.

3. Bishop Walker was born in 1925 in Barnesville, Georgia, where his maternal great-grandfather had founded the Barnesville African Methodist Episcopal Church. His family later moved to Detroit, Michigan, where he graduated from high school in 1943. During the next four years, he worked for the U.S. Post Office and the U.S. War Department. His involvement in an Episcopal youth group during this period led him to become an Episcopalian in 1946.

4. In 1948 he entered Wayne State University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history in 1951. The same year he entered Virginia Theological Seminary and in 1954 became the institution's first black graduate. He holds honorary degrees from Hobart and William Smith College, the University of the South, and the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta.

5. Returning to the Diocese of Michigan in 1954, he served as rector of St. Mary's Church, an integrated congregation, until 1957 when he became a teacher of religion and history at St. Paul's School in Concord, New Hampshire, a post he held until he came to Washington in 1966. During these years he was also special missionary in the Diocese of New Hampshire and served varying lengths of time as priest-in-charge or supply priest in more than half of New Hampshire's 50 churches.

6. Bishop Walker's long involvement in the church overseas began during the summer of 1961 when he directed a training program for the overseas department of the Episcopal Church's Executive Council in Nicaragua, Guatemala, and Costa Rica. He also led conferences for programs held in Central America, Puerto Rico, and Mexico. During that summer he met his wife, Rosa Maria Flores, a native of Nicaragua, whom he married in March 1962.

7. In 1964 Bishop Walker, then a teacher at St. Paul's in Concord, was given a one-year sabbatical leave which, accompanied by his wife and son, he spent teaching at Bishop Tucker Theological School in Mukano, Uganda. The Walkers have been instrumental since that time in helping Ugandan students receive an education in the United States and in assisting political refugees.

8. After returning to New Hampshire for a year, Bishop Walker moved to Washington in 1966 as a canon of the Cathedral Church of Saints Peter and Paul (the Washington Cathedral), with particular responsibility for a specialized ministry to the Washington community. In addition to participation in the ministry of the cathedral and involvement in the life of the three National Cathedral schools, he was planner and host of Overview, a weekly television program focusing on urban, ethnic, and ecumenical concerns.

9. Bishop Walker has served the Episcopal Church nationally as Chairman of the Study Commission on the Military Chaplaincy and of the House of Bishops' Committee on National and International Problems. He was a delegate to the World Council of Churches Assembly in Nairobi, Kenya, in 1975 and is vice-chairperson of Africare, a nonprofit organization dedicated to self-help projects in Africa. Within the past year he was instrumental in the formation of the Coalition of Urban Bishops and is its chairperson. This coalition seeks to move the Episcopal Church toward seriously addressing some of the problems in American cities.

10. He serves, in addition, on the boards of several educational institutions and is chairperson of the boards of Absalom Jones Theological Institute in Atlanta, Georgia, and the Black Student Fund through which deserving black students are educated in Washington area independent schools. His interest in the community has included service on the panel to select the present chief of police in the District of Columbia.

11. Admission to the lecture will be by ticket until 2:55 p.m., after which the remaining seats will be available to all. Tickets may be obtained from your component training officers.

Please Note: The lecture and question period will conclude by 4:25 p.m. We ask those attending to remain seated until the end of the question period as a courtesy to the speaker.

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Ms. Cheryl D. Daves
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Dear Ms. Daves:

Admiral Turner appreciated your letter of 21 November and is delighted that Bishop Walker will be CIA Guest Speaker on Tuesday, 10 January 1978, discussing "Morality in Foreign Affairs." The lecture is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. in the CIA Headquarters Auditorium at Langley.

As I mentioned by telephone, Admiral Turner plans to introduce Bishop Walker and would like to meet with him in his office in advance of the lecture. I will call for the Bishop at the Church House about 2:10 p.m., which you indicated would be convenient. An Agency car will return him to his destination at the conclusion of the lecture and question period. The program will conclude no later than 4:30 p.m.

As agreed, we will plan to videotape the program for the benefit of those who cannot attend and for use in our training courses. However, please let me know if you find Bishop Walker has any objection.

Thank you so much for your help in the arrangements for this event. I heard Bishop Walker, as I believe I told you, at the Foreign Affairs Executive Seminar several years ago, and I know that our employees and guests from the Intelligence Community have a treat in store.

Cordially yours,

[Redacted Signature]

Special Programs Officer

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